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NAIROBI FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJ: MARINE SECURITY GUARDS FOR LUSAKA

REF: (A) LUSAKA 992; (B) NAIROBI 4806

1. RE REFTEL B, WHILE WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE 24-HOUR
COVERAGE AT THE EMBASSY, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE POLITIC
IMMEDIATELY TO TRY TO GO BEYOND THE FIVE-MAN DETACHMENT AUTHORIZED
BY THE GRZ (REFTEL A). WE LEAVE THIS OPEN AS A FUTURE POSSIBILITY,
BUT OUR FIRST REQUIREMENT IS TO DO THE JOB WITH THE FIVE-MAN
TEAM AUTHORIZED. THE MOST CRITICAL NEED FOR SECURITY AT THE
EMBASSY IS THE CONTROL OF VISITORS DURING WORKING HOURS.
THREATS AGAINST PHYSICAL SECURITY INSIDE THE CHANCERY IN OUR
ESTIMATION ARE HIGHEST DURING THIS PERIOD. IT WAS THIS
POINT WHICH FINALLY CONVINCED THE ZAMBIA PRESIDENT TO PERMIT
MARINE GUARDS. THEREFORE, THE WATCH STANDERS SHOULD COVER
WORKING HOURS (8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM), THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY
BEFORE WORKING HOURS (7:00 AM TO 8:00 AM), AND THE PERIOD
FROM 5:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT. IMAGINATIVE PROGRAMMING OF THE TIME
OF FOUR WATCH STANDERS SHOULD MAKE THIS A VIABLE SCHEDULE.
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